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Mr. Richard Schassburger Department of Energy Rocky Flats Office P.O. Box 928 Golden, CO 80402-0928

re: OU 2 Subsurface IM/IRA

Dear Mr. Schassburger:

EPA and CDH have reviewed your request for an additional extension on the Site 1 SVE Pilot Test start up deadline (October 19, 1993; 93-DOE-12041), and the supplemental correspondence regarding expedited action (October 21, 1993; 93-DOE-12132). Based on the status briefing and other information provided in support of this request, it appears the contamination encountered at Site 1 probably should have been anticipated and accounted for in the original design. However, given that there are safety considerations involved and the current situation offers few viable options, we are hereby granting approval of the new milestone dates as requested.

This action is taken with the expectation that the extra time will be used not only for SVE equipment modifications, but also to institute expedited actions to prevent the contamination encountered at IHSS 110 from causing further problems, and to develop contingent treatment systems for possible use in either the expedited action or long-term operation. In addition, any deviations from the existing test plan or failure to meet its objectives due to the system configuration changes will need to be fully documented in the test report.

We will continue working with Mr. Scott Grace of your staff in ensuring the Subsurface IM/IRA proceeds in a productive direction. We will be available next week to begin scoping the expedited action. As indicated in staff discussions, EPA and CDH will consider this a test of DOE's ability to execute early actions, and therefore an indication of whether the SPIRIT

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approach to ER program streamlining is viable. If you have questions or would like to discuss the progress of this effort, please contact Bill Fraser (EPA) at 294-1081 or Jeff Swanson (CDH) at 692-3416.

Sincerely,

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